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## SC gets 5 new Judges including Justice Mithal

NEW DELHI, Feb 4:  
 Five Judges were appointed to the Supreme Court today, taking the total number of Judges in the Apex Court to 32, two short of the full strength.

This comes amid an ongoing tiff between the Government and the judiciary over the process of appointing judges to the Supreme Court and the 25 High Courts.

Law Minister Kiren Rijiju  
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## NIA team visits Dhangri

Excelsior Correspondent  
 RAJOURI, Feb 4: A team of the National Investigation Agency (NIA), led by IG (NIA) visited the site of the January 1 terror attack in Dhangri village of Rajouri and recorded statements of the victim families.

According to the sources, NIA IG was accompanied by ASP rank officers of Rajouri Police and they reached Dhangri where they met the families of the victims and recorded their statements.

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## Avalanche hits Gulmarg

Excelsior Correspondent  
 SRINAGAR, Feb 4: A fresh avalanche struck at Affarwat in Gulmarg in North Kashmir this morning, however, there was no loss of life or damage reported.

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"Area has already been notified as a Red Zone and is restricted for any movement," a police spokesperson said.  
 "Tourists are once again advised not to venture and cooperate with Police," he

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## Jawan injured in landmine blast

Excelsior Correspondent  
 POONCH, Feb 4: An Army jawan was injured in a landmine explosion near the Line of Control (LoC) in Poonch district today.

The landmine went off when a group of soldiers were patrolling a forward area in the Kerni sector in the morning, they said.

The injured soldier, Lance Naik Anshul Rawat, was immediately given medical aid and was later airlifted to the

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## Agniveer aspirants to appear in online CEE

NEW DELHI, Feb 4:  
 The Army has announced a change in the Agniveer recruitment process and candidates wanting to join the force will now have to first appear for an online common entrance examination (CEE), followed by physical fitness and medical tests.

While advertisements regarding the change in the process have been put out by the Army in various newspapers, sources today said,

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## IAF Comdr for strict vigil to ensure airfield security

Excelsior Correspondent  
 JAMMU, Feb 4: A top Indian Air Force officer today underlined the need to maintain strict vigil to ensure airfield security and urged people to provide timely information on any suspicious activities, according to a Defence spokesperson.

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Air Officer Commanding (AOC), Air Force Station Jammu, Air Commodore G S Bhullar said this while chairing an airfield security review meeting here, the spokesperson said. Village heads from areas in the immediate vicinity of the Jammu airfield, officials of concerned civic agencies and key officials of the Airport Authority

# Some people come for entertainment: LG on Rahul's remarks Targeting KPs attack on India's integrity, only handful of people behind this: Sinha

Sanjeev Pargal

JAMMU, Feb 4: Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha said today that attacks on Kashmiri Pandits were not only attacks on individuals but on integrity of India and charged "handful of people" for targeting innocent civilians at the behest of the neighbouring country, a reference towards Pakistan.

He was speaking after inaugurating 'Special Governance Camp for Kashmiri Migrants' at Jagti Colony, near here.

"The administration is sensitive to the issues of Kashmiri migrant families and PM Package employees," Sinha said. Asserting that few incidents had occurred (a reference towards targeted killings of Kashmiri Pandits), the Lieutenant Governor said: "These attacks were not only on individuals but also on the integrity of India. There are a handful of people, who at the

behest of the neighbouring country are targeting innocent civilians". However, he said under the guidance of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, the J&K Government is working with full sensitivity and commitment to address all the issues of Kashmiri migrants.

In another function, Sinha said there were some areas in

## No Joshimath-like situation at Thathri



LG Manoj Sinha with Kashmiri migrants at Jagti Colony in Jammu on Saturday.

SRINAGAR which were not visited even by security forces but now because of return of peace and normalcy, sports tournaments are being organized there. "Some youth had taken wrong path and were misled. However, many of them have now joined mainstream through sports tournaments," he said, adding he has also visited these areas to inaugurate sports func-

tions. At the Jagti function, Lt Governor also observed that many PM Package Employees have resumed their duties and the direction has been issued to release their pending salaries without delay.

He strongly refuted the quote by the Congress leader Rahul Gandhi, and asserted that he has made no such statement and it has been attributed to him with malicious intent. "It is completely fabricated and full of lies. I have never used such words for anyone in my entire life. It is my firm belief that anyone who needs help should always be given priority. My doors are open 24 hours for those who have any problem. We are creating an environment to address your issues, efforts are being made for welfare of your children and families to ensure that entire community can contribute in the progress of J&K like it did in the past," Sinha said.

He said a directive has been

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# Around 2016 kanals State land retrieved from two ex Ministers, bureaucrat; relative of PC leader among other encroachers

Govind Sharma

JAMMU/SRINAGAR, Feb 4: Intensifying its anti-encroachment drive in the Union Territory, Jammu and Kashmir Administration today retrieved around 2016 kanals State land from the illegal encroachers including two ex-Ministers, a former bureaucrat and a relative of Peoples Conference leader

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while as it also dismantled a showroom in Narwal-Bathindi area of Jammu, sparking strong protest as well as stone pelting by the inhabitants of the area on officials executing the demolition drive. As per the reports, thousands

of people came on roads this evening in Narwal-Bathindi area of Jammu when the district administration as part of its anti-

# Control Rooms set-up in all depts to monitor online services Govt sets into motion exercise to extend e-office up to Tehsil level Step to make officials accountable, check efficiency

Mohinder Verma

JAMMU, Feb 4: After Civil Secretariat, offices of Heads of the Departments and Deputy Commissioners, Government has now set into motion an exercise to extend e-office up to Tehsil level and this step will go a long way in making the officials accountable at the lowest level in the administration and check their efficiency in disposal of official files.

Official sources told EXCELSIOR that on the basis of success of e-office in the Civil Secretariat at Jammu as well as Srinagar and in majority

of the offices of the Heads of the Departments and Deputy Commissioners, the Government has decided to extend e-office up to the Tehsil level and exercise has been set into motion in this regard by framing a committee of officers.

A committee comprising State Informatics Officer, NIC J&K or his representative, representative from NIC Delhi, Technical Officer of the Information Technology Department, Project Manager, Jammu and Kashmir e-Governance Agency (JaKeGA), Data Centre Operator and Analyst-Information

Technology in JaKeGA has been asked to frame the Detailed Project Report (DPR) for extension of e-office up to Tehsil level.

The committee will enable e-office in complete jurisdiction of Deputy Commissioners, Heads of the Departments and Public Sector Undertakings up to the Tehsil level and it will suggest measures to be taken for digitization of legacy record/files up to Tehsil level.

Similarly, the committee will make suggestions for procurement of additional licenses from NIC New Delhi as per

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## People resort to protests, stone pelting in Jammu



JCBs demolishing MG Hector showroom at Narwal, Jammu. Another pic on page 13.

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# 'UT on path of development, will continue to march ahead'

# National flags fluttering on every house in J&K, peace back after 370 abrogation: Anurag

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Feb 4: Union Minister for Information and Broadcasting, Sports & Youth Services Anurag Singh Thakur today said abrogation of Articles 370 and 35-A have led to return of peace with national flags fluttering on every house in Jammu and Kashmir.

"Jammu and Kashmir is moving on the path of development under the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) Government and will continue to march ahead," Thakur, who was here to launch third Khelo India Games mascot, theme song and jersey along with Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha, told a press conference at the BJP Trikuta Nagar headquarters.

■ DAP postpones agitation on assurances

# Azad demands formal order on sparing poor in anti-encroachment drive

Fayaz Bukhari

SRINAGAR Feb 4: Democratic Azad Party (DAP) chief Ghulam Nabi Azad today demanded a formal order from Lt Governor Manoj Sinha on sparing the poor in the anti-encroachment drive that has been launched in

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Jammu and Kashmir. Azad, addressing his party workers at Sonwar here, said that he requested the Union Home Minister Amit Shah that people should not be evicted from houses and from businesses in the ongoing eviction drive. Azad welcomed the state-

# Parties habitual of family rule, land grabbing have lost ground



Accompanied by BJP UT chief Ravinder Raina, Anurag Thakur, who returned to Himachal Pradesh, his home State this evening by road after attending last function of the day at Jammu University, said the abrogation of Articles 370 and 35-A has led to the return of peace, investment and a large inflow of tourists to Jammu and Kashmir with national flags fluttering on every house.

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The Union Minister recalled that he was jailed in 2011 on reaching Jammu and Kashmir while leading a 'Tiranga Yatra' from Kolkata to Kashmir. It may be mentioned that the yatra then being led by Thakur as Bharatiya Janata Yuva

\*Watch video on [www.excelsiornews.com](http://www.excelsiornews.com)

Morcha (BJYM) president was stopped by then National Conference-Congress Government headed by Omar Abdullah and was not allowed to cross Lakhampur, the gateway to

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"...we have decided to postpone our agitation based on their assurances. Most of these people

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